

## Aruba is dressing up for the holidays with the lighting of Tanki Flip Rotunda



ORANJESTAD -- Over the past ten years, rotundas have been the solution of choice for easing the flow of traffic at some of Aruba's busiest intersections, and, as an added value, they provide excellent locations for end-of-the-year holiday decorations!

On Tuesday evening, November 5, islanders enjoyed the official opening of the season with the lighting of the fantasy array at the rotunda at the main Tanki Flip intersection. Colorful sculptures out of lights depict an

old style cunucu house and windmill, inspired historic island culture and life.

The official opening included popular local holiday customs, such as a performance by one of the island's gaita groups. Consisting of girl singers only, the tradition originated in the Zulia province of Venezuela, where lyrics were often topical and political. The lively music is one of the most beloved aspects of the holiday season on Aruba.

Technicians are busy

preparing the island's other rotundas with enchanting, whimsical holiday displays. A number of schools are also encouraged to participate. Since last year, many traffic circles sported their efforts made of recycled materials.

November and December means end of the year holiday cheer, and Aruba enjoys it even though we have sunny skies all no matter the season. The nights, however, belong to the joyous traditional of creative Christmas lights!

## Victorious in N.Jersey, Christie becomes Republicans' best bet for 2016



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - New Jersey Governor Chris Christie claimed an overwhelming re-election victory on Tuesday, propelling him to the top of a list of Republican White House hopefuls for 2016.

The 51-year-old strode out before supporters with wife Mary Pat and punched the air to the chorus of Stevie Wonder's soul classic "Signed, Sealed, Delivered, I'm Yours."

"We have a big, big win tonight," he told the crowd. "I did not seek a second term to do small things, I sought a second term to finish the job -- now watch me do it."

The father of four with a larger-than-life personality fared better than rival Barbara Buono among women, blacks and Hispanics -- groups Republicans typically have an uphill battle winning over.

Christie's cross-party ap-

peal comes with Republicans deeply divided, unpopular and appearing severely weakened by the recent budget crisis forced by its far-right Tea Party faction.

He appealed to unity and getting his job, a veiled reference to the ideological bickering of the Republican party in Washington.

"I know that if we can do this in Trenton, New Jersey, maybe the folks in Washington, DC should tune in their TVs right now to see how it's done," he said.

Reince Priebus, chairman of the Republican National Committee, was the first to congratulate Christie.

He said Christie's "significant support" among minority voters was a testament to his leadership and an inclusive campaign, engaging with black, Hispanic and Asian voters.

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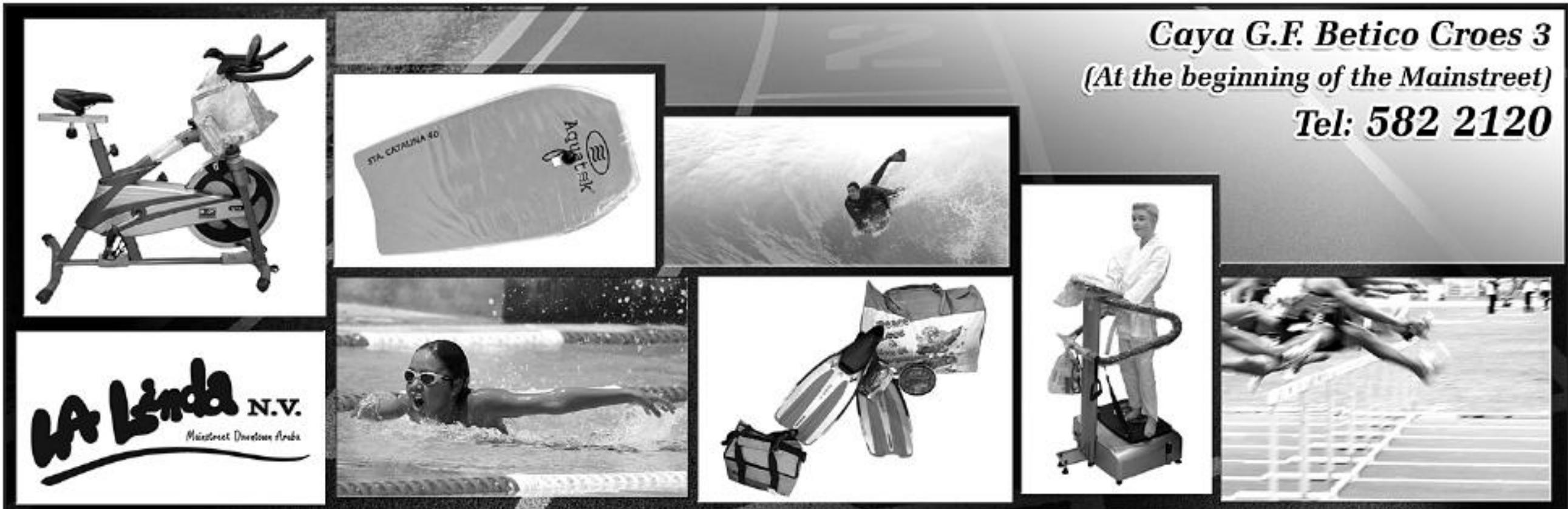
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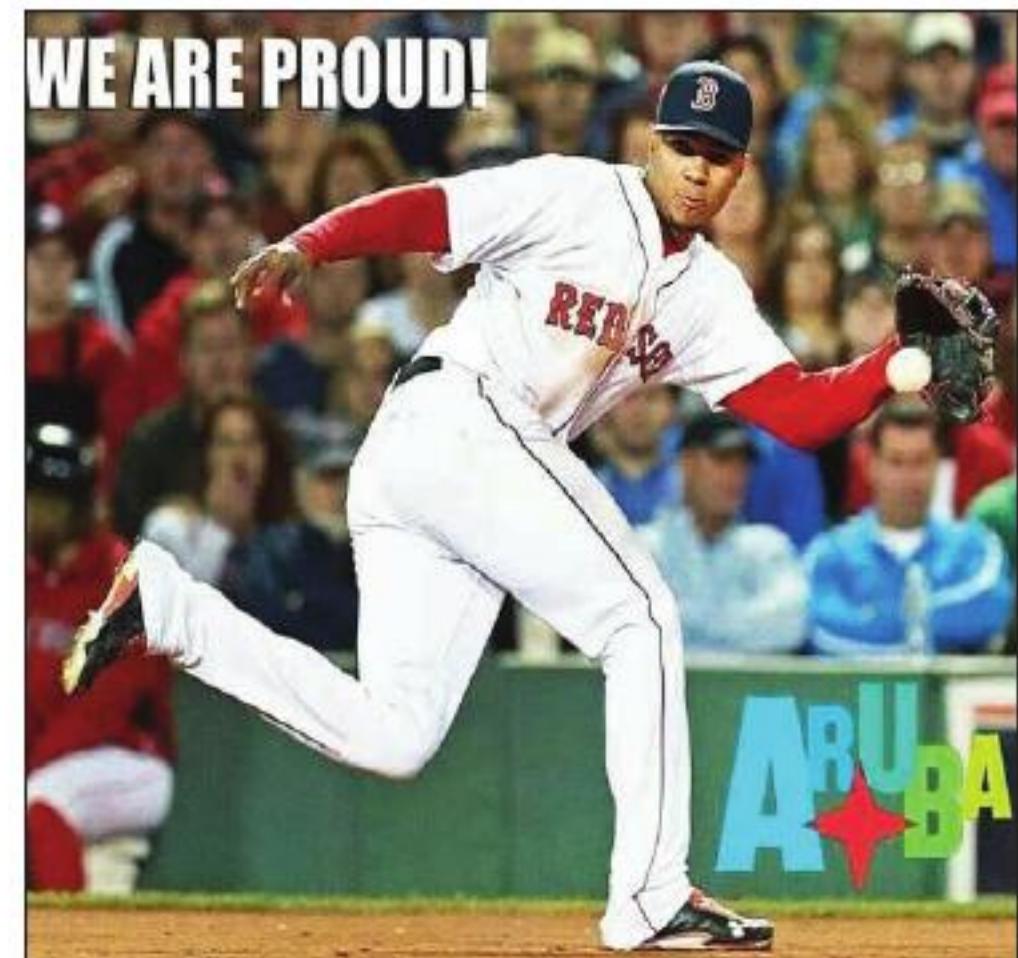
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The first person to be honored at the Paseo Walk of Stars will be our own Xander Bogaerts, World Series 2013 Champion.

Paseo Herencia together with Aruba's government invited the entire community to

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OCA is very grateful for all its sponsors who are helping in different ways. One of the most important aspects of Interpaso is its touristic aspect. This is not only because of the people coming for the fair, but also those who are coming to watch the programs and then return later to visit the island.

Ever since Interpaso became an International event, every year more and more riders are coming to Aruba for vacation. Carlos Madrid (Pereira), Jose Hurtado (Bogota), Alberto Villasmil

(Maracaibo), Dona Luncenia Fajardo (Medellin) and Oscar Gonzalez (Medellin) among others, have all come to get acquainted with Aruba and Interpaso. It is not easy for Interpaso to cover the international press expenses and that of the Judges. But with the cooperation of strategic partners such as Divi Links and Insel Air this is made possible. This year Divi Links will support Interpaso for the second time, so doing helping to expand our event. They will house the international press.

Insel Air has made tickets available for members of the international press to get to Aruba from their destinations. Organizacion Caballista Arubano extends her heartfelt gratitude to Divi Links and Insel Air for their superb partnership of 2013 Interpaso.

## Application form for Student Loans 2014-2015 now available

ORANJESTAD – The Department of Education announces that the information flyers and application forms for student loan for the school year 2014-2015 can now be obtained. To apply for a student loan, applicants must use the official form, which can be downloaded from the Department's website: [www.ea.aw](http://www.ea.aw). The website has also flyers with information for the application procedure and conditions, as well as other important information for Aruba students seeking higher education.

The Department of Education advise students who wish to apply for a loan for the school year 2014-2015

take note that the deadline is Friday, December 6, 2013. Applicants must completely fill in the forms, sign and submit with all required documents. All petition forms submitted after December 6, 2013 will have a starting date of January 1, 2015. The petition forms must be submitted at the Department of Education, Educational Facilities section, 1st floor of the Codemsa Building in Cumana.

For more information regarding studies and student loans, readers may visit the department's website [www.ea.aw](http://www.ea.aw), or follow them on FaceBook or Twitter to stay updated.

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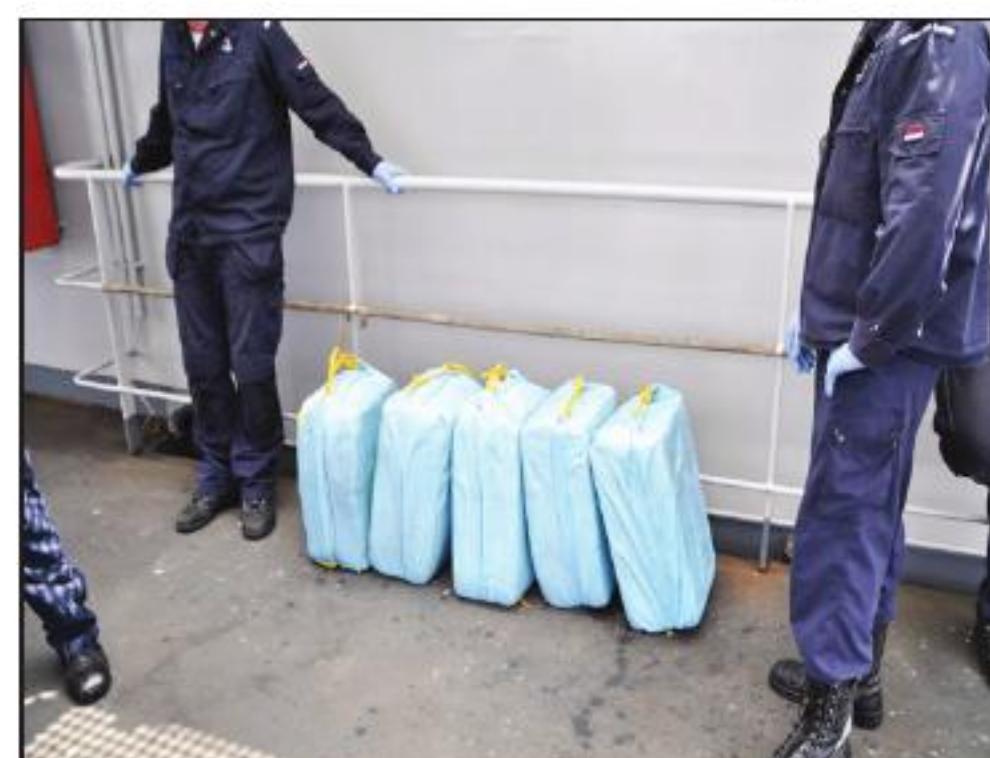
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## Two successful drug busts in one week



ORANJESTAD – The Dutch Royal Marine station ship Zr. Ms. Amsterdam that patrols the Caribbean waters is on a roll. In just one week the crew of the supply vessel intercepted two drug shipments with a total of 1,200 kilos of cocaine.

The first interception was of a go-fast out of Colombia.

searching the boat they discovered 600 kilos of cocaine.

The second interception was a go-fast from Venezuela going north. The Zr. Ms. Amsterdam pursued the go-fast in the dark, but when they were approximately a mile from the go-fast the suspects realized this they fled at high speed while throwing the contraband overboard. The go-fast escaped but the crew of the Amsterdam fished 19 packages of cocaine out of the water with a total weight of 600 kilos.

End of October the Zr. Ms. Amsterdam had also another successful interception of a go-fast en route to the Dominican Republic and Haiti. The NH90 managed to bring this transport to a halt and the four occupants were taken into custody. The booty was 1,450 kg of cocaine.

After spotting the go-fast, the marine helicopter NH90 was deployed which forced the go-fast to stop. Soon after members of the Law Enforcement Detachment (LEDET) of the U.S. Coast Guard who were onboard the Zr. Ms. Amsterdam, arrested the crew of the go fast on illegal drugs trafficking. After

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## SETAR N.V. introducing Long Term Evolution technology for wireless devices



Alcatel Lucent Team with Minister of Telecommunications Mike de Meza and Roland Croes

ORANJESTAD -- The Director of SETAR N.V., Aruba's national telecommunications company, Roland Croes, was very proud to introduce Robert Vrij, EVP President of Alcatel-Lucent to media during an elegant event with media and local business magnates on Tuesday evening, November 5. Alcatel-Lucent has enjoyed a congenial working partnership for decades with SETAR N.V., developing and installing the technology that has allowed the Aruban company to keep up with the increasing demands of business and personal communication in the 21st century.

Both gentlemen were excited to announce that Aruba is now transitioning to Long Term Evolution, or LTE technology, providing greatly increased speed and reliability in data processing from all wireless mobile devices. SETAR NV technician Edward Ashby and Marketing Rep Arthur Ruiz demonstrated the vastly increased upload and download speeds on tablets, laptops, net books and a variety

of cellular phones.

Because LTE offers significant improvements over older cellular communication standards, some refer to it as a 4G (fourth generation) technology along with WiMax. With its architecture based on Internet Protocol (IP) unlike many other cellular Internet protocols, Long Term Evolution supports browsing Web sites, VoIP and other IP-based services well. LTE can theoretically support downloads at 300 Megabits per second (Mbps) or more based on experimental trials. However,

landers are accustomed.

Cell phones provided some of the fastest connections with optimal download speeds of 99.77 Mbps and uploads up to 89.33, depending on time of day and traffic. They also recorded some periods where upload speed was its worst at 27.47. A current connectivity test of the average laptop has a download speed of 11.79 Mbps and upload speed of 0.52 Mbps; even the minimal results with LTE will provide a vastly noticeable improvement in wireless communication.

Readers can check their own Internet performance by visiting the website: <http://www.speedtest.net/> to evaluate the improvement this new technology will bring.

Mr. Croes thanked Mr. Vrij and his team, and Alcatel-Lucent for their support over the past three decades. This is the same company that has provided the LTE hardware for Verizon and AT&T. Aruba and SETAR N.V. will be at the forefront in the Caribbean regarding wireless Internet service with this advanced technology. When LTE was first introduced, outside of the US telecommunications



the actual network bandwidth available to an individual LTE subscriber sharing the service provider's network, particularly in Aruba, will likely be significantly less, but test trials by Mr. Ashby and Ruiz showed exceptional performance to what is



Robert Vrij of Alcatel Lucent and Roland Croes of SETAR

market, GSM was the dominant mobile standard, with more than 80% of the world's cellular phone users. Aruba is one of the first nations to switch to this vastly advanced method.

"It is great to be here for the finalization of the project that will bring the most innovative broadband technology in the world to Aruba," stated Mr. Vrij. "We have enjoyed a significant partnership with SETAR for three decades from initially installing Broadband to this 4G LTE project. It takes true teamwork to make this happen. There is great Macro 4G LTE technology, but there is also our Best in Class most recognized technology, which is our Alcatel-Lucent Light Radio Solution, and there is our small solution. Why is this important? Because the

utilization of all of that technology means only one thing: SETAR will be able to deliver the single best experience you can get from an end consumer point of view. The ability to drive Best of Class speeds, with the type of quality that will come with this technology, is going to be unsurpassed." The 4G LTE technology is also expected to provide much more efficient island-wide coverage, expanding the limits to the most remote locations.

Mr. Croes stated that the 4G LTE technology will be in effect by the end of the 2013. Mobile devices which are set up with 3G hardware will not be able to access the higher performance network. A new inventory of 4G-equipped wireless devices will be in stock in time for holiday shopping.

By Rosalie Klein

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Shankara products are manufactured in USA but based in Ayurveda, a 5,000-year-old Indian tradition and philosophy based on knowledge of the youth-restoring effects and therapeutic uses of herbs and oils to bring balance to the body, mind and spirit. Ayurveda, "the science of life" is built upon the understanding of the five elements (space, air, fire, water and earth).

When these elements combine they create three governing principles, or doshas. These are Vata (air and space), Pitta (fire with a little water) and Kapha (earth and water). Everything may be categorized according to its proportion of the doshas, including our mind-body and



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# Colombia, rebels reach agreement on key peace issue



The Farc leader Marcos Cesarca spoke at the press conference held in Cuba

HAVANA (AFP) - Colombia's government and the FARC guerrilla group reached agreement Wednesday on the rebels' participation in politics once they end their near 50-year insurgency, the two sides announced.

"We have reached fundamental agreement on the second point of the agenda," they said in a joint statement read out in Havana by a Cuban diplomat, Rodolfo Benitez.

The rebels' return to politics was one of five agenda points under negotiation in year-long peace talks between the government of Juan Manuel Santos and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

The sides must reach agreement on three more issues -- drug trafficking, compensation for victims, and disarmament -- to finalize a comprehensive accord ending Latin America's longest-running insurgency.

They had previously agreed on how to approach land reform and rural development, the first agenda item and the root of the conflict.

"What we have agreed to deepens and strengthens our democracy," said the joint statement.

Norwegian diplomat Dag Mylander said the agreement "includes guarantees for the political opposition, measures to promote citizen participation and it contemplates

revising the Colombian electoral system after a final peace agreement is signed."

Norway and Cuba are guarantors of the peace talks, which got under way in Havana in November 2012.

Negotiators went into overtime to clinch the agreement on how to reintegrate demobilized rebels, extending talks that were supposed to have ended last Thursday until it was hammered out.

Santos, who is running for re-election in 2014, had urged the FARC to speed up the process.

Shortly before the agreement was announced in Havana, Santos said the day was nearing that Colombia would be "a normal country, a country at peace."

"We have to persevere to put an end to this conflict that has bled us for 50 years," he said.

Santos, however, faces a challenge from the right from his predecessor Alvaro Uribe, who vehemently opposes the peace process.

Uribe has thrown his weight behind Oscar Ivan Zuluaga, who this week began collecting signatures for a presidential run against Santos.

## Deadly bombs hit Syria cities after peace talks flop

DAMASCUS (AFP) - Bomb attacks in Syria's capital Damascus and the country's south killed at least 16 people on Wednesday, a day after Moscow and Washington failed to announce a date for proposed peace talks.

In Russia, Deputy Foreign Minister Mikhail Bogdanov said Moscow was ready to host informal talks between Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's regime and the opposition.

Russian and US officials on Tuesday failed to agree a date for a proposed peace conference in Geneva that has been delayed multiple times.

The United States and Russia have been pushing for peace talks in Geneva for months, but Brahimi said divisions within the Syrian opposition were an ongoing obstacle to a conference. More than 120,000 people have been killed in Syria's 31-month conflict, which began when Assad's regime cracked down on anti-government protests.

## Senator: US administration 'untruthful' on Obamacare

WASHINGTON (AFP) - US senators unloaded fresh attacks on the Obama administration's handling of the rollout of the new health care law Wednesday, with one Republican accusing officials of being "untruthful" about its impact.

Five weeks into the rocky launch of the website through which millions of Americans are expected to register for health insurance, Health Secretary Kathleen Sebelius faced criticism that the Affordable Care Act was putting the entire health care system in jeopardy.

Last week Sebelius apologized to the nation for what she acknowledged was a "miserable" start to the HealthCare.gov, and on Wednesday she again took the blame, saying "I am focused on fixing it, and I'm accountable."

She insisted, however, that the law was already working well for millions by no longer allowing insurers to deny coverage because of pre-existing conditions, impose coverage caps, or charge

women more for health care.

But Senator Orrin Hatch and other Finance Committee Republicans pointed to higher insurance costs, and thousands of consumers getting notices that their existing plans were being dropped despite Obama's pledge that consumers who liked their policies could keep them.

"Put simply, there is a long track record of broken promises and untruthful answers to both this committee and the American people with respect to how this law would work and the impact it would have," Hatch told Sebelius at a committee hearing.

"I hope that will stop today. No more caveats, no more excuses, no more spin. Just give us the truth," he said.

The White House has been under fire for weeks about the botched website debut, with Republicans accusing the administration of obfuscating potential pitfalls in order to press ahead with Obama's signature domestic policy achievement.



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## Victorious in N.Jersey, Christie ... Continued from pg 1

Christie's win will cement his status as a favorite to win the Republican nomination for the White House in 2016 given his pragmatism,

charisma and ability to command cross-party support.

Ahead of Tuesday's election, 61 percent said they would vote for Christie, compared to 33 percent for Buono in the traditionally Democrat state hard hit by last year's Hurricane Sandy.

Mitt Romney, the former 2012 Republican presidential candidate who ran and lost against Barack Obama, recently spoke out in favor of Christie.

"Chris could easily become our nominee and save our party and help get this nation on the right track again," he told NBC's "Meet the Press" on Sunday.

Until recently, the moderate Christie -- known for his no-nonsense manner, his energy and his empathy and plus-sized waistline -- was always evasive about how far his ambitions go.

But there is a political overture to virtually all his decisions.

In February, when he had a lap-band fitted in a bid to lose weight, he announced it was to safeguard his long-term health.

"White House 2016" murmured the commentators.

Shortly after Hurricane Sandy, he strode the ravaged coastline of New Jersey alongside Obama shortly be-

fore the commander-in-chief's re-election.

Republican hardliners were furious, but his popularity only climbed.

In January 2013, he slammed the Republican-led House of Representatives for taking weeks to vote through desperately needed relief for Sandy victims.

A White House run next? Christie is nothing if not pragmatic.

He is against abortion but rarely speaks out on the issue. He opposed same-sex marriage, but on October 21 withdrew a legal challenge after the first weddings went ahead as ruled by a judge.

And this weekend, he readily admitted his re-election could be construed as a stepping stone toward the White House in 2016.

"I'm not planning for it; I just think it's inevitable," he told NBC when asked if a victory could be seen as an opportunity to spread a message to voters beyond his own State.

"People look at elections and they try to discern things about what they mean at that moment and what they mean for the future," Christie added.

"I think that what people are going to see is so unusual for what our party has created in the last couple years, that invariably people are going to draw lessons from it and I hope that they do."



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## Tests point to polonium poisoning in Arafat death: *Jazeera*



RAMALLAH (AFP) - Swiss scientists have concluded Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat is likely to have died from polonium poisoning, according to a text of their findings published by Al-Jazeera television Wednesday.

The results of tests on Arafat's remains "moderately support the proposition that the death was the consequence of poisoning with polonium-210," said the 108-page analysis posted on Al-Jazeera's website.

The Palestinian official in charge of the investigation into Arafat's death, Tawfiq Tirawi, said on Tuesday that he had received the findings of the Swiss laboratory, although he declined to disclose them.

Some 60 samples were taken from the remains of the late Palestinian leader in November last year for a probe into whether he was poisoned by polonium.

The samples were divided between the Swiss and Russian

investigators and a French team carrying out a probe at the request of Arafat's widow Suha.

Arafat died in France on November 11 2004 at the age of 75, but doctors were unable to specify the cause of death. No autopsy was carried out at the time, in line with his widow's request.

His remains were exhumed in November 2012 and samples taken, partly to investigate whether he had been poisoned -- a suspicion that grew after the assassination of Russian ex-spy and Kremlin critic Alexander Litvinenko in 2006.

In an October report published by The Lancet, eight scientists working at the Institute of Radiation Physics and University Centre of Legal Medicine in Lausanne confirmed they found traces of polonium in separate tests on clothing used by Arafat which

they said "support the possibility" he was poisoned.

## WikiLeaks Snowden staffer says unsafe to return to Britain



LONDON (AFP) - A WikiLeaks staffer who has been accompanying Edward Snowden said Wednesday she had left Russia for Germany, but the threat of prosecution made it unsafe for her to return home to Britain. In August, Sarah Harrison helped former US National Security Agency contractor Snowden flee Hong Kong to Russia, where he has now been granted temporary asylum from US authorities who want to prosecute him for leaking official secrets. In a statement dated from Berlin and issued by anti-secrecy website WikiLeaks, Harrison said she had now left Snowden's side and had "arrived in Germany over the weekend". Her choice of Berlin as a destination comes a day after Germany said it had asked to speak to Britain's ambassador following a media report that London has been operating a secret listening post from its embassy in Berlin.

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## Dutch government sued over NSA spying claims

THE HAGUE (AFP) - A group of lawyers, journalists and privacy advocates in the Netherlands is taking the government to court to prevent Dutch intelligence using phone data illegally acquired by the US National Security Agency.

Five individuals, among them a prominent investigative journalist and a well-known hacker, and four organisations filed the case before The Hague district court on Wednesday, according to their lawyer Christiaan Alberdingk Thijm.

The case comes after recent revelations that the NSA monitored 1.8 million phonecalls in a month in the Netherlands and then passed some of the data to Dutch intelligence services.

The NSA has been at the centre of a global furore set off by a series of bombshell leaks from former intelligence contractor Edward Snowden, who lifted the lid on the US government's far-reaching digital dragnet.

Dutch Home Affairs Minister Ronald Plasterk, whose ministry is the defendant in the case, last week confirmed the NSA's phone intercepts, telling national television that "whether it's about politicians or ordinary citizens it's not acceptable".

He said the Dutch secret service (AIVD) did exchange information with the NSA but was not necessarily aware where the information came from.

Those bringing the lawsuit include investigative journalist Brenno de Winter and hacker Rop Gonggrijp -- who is under investigation by US authorities for his involvement with WikiLeaks -- and they say they want the NSA to stop eavesdropping and handing over information to Dutch intelligence.

The plaintiffs want judges to "declare that the Dutch state was acting illegally by receiving information from foreign

intelligence services, which had been collected through spy programmes like (the NSA's) PRISM, contrary to Dutch law."

The Dutch government should tell the plaintiffs "in writing" within three months what type of information was gathered about them and what the information was used for.

The document asked for the case to be heard on November 27.

Last week Britain's *Guardian* newspaper reported that British and Dutch intelligence services closely cooperated in exchanging intelligence including providing legal advice on "Dutch legislative issues."



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## Movember (Men know your risk of Prostate cancer)

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It's important for Men to

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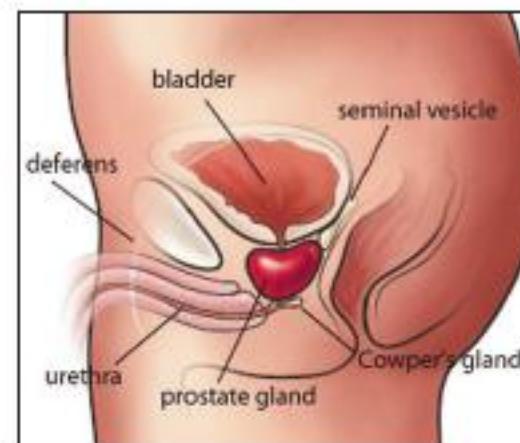
**After skin cancer, prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in men.**

A prostate biopsy only takes a few minutes to perform and is currently one of the best methods available for the diagnosis of prostate cancer. Prostate cancer, when

diagnosed early, means earlier treatment and increased survival for men.

Testicular cancer is the most common cancer in young men between the ages of 15 and 35 years old and is highly treatable if found and treated early.

A man's lifetime risk of having testicular cancer is about 1



in 270. your muscles (especially certain leg muscles) aren't moving, circulation slows, using less blood sugar and burning less fat.

Men who sit more than six hours a day have an 18% increased risk of dying from heart disease and a 7.8% increased chance of dying from diabetes compared with someone who sits for three hours or less a day.

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### Exposure to Long-Banned Pesticides Linked to Endometriosis

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Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center-led study has found that two organochlorine pesticides are associated with an increased risk of endometriosis, a condition that affects up to 10 percent of reproductive-age women.

Other studies have found that organochlorine pesticides act similarly to the female hormone estrogen—a driving force behind endometriosis—further reinforcing the study results. Endometriosis occurs when the tissue that lines the uterus—or womb—grows in other places, such as the ovaries, fallopian tubes, or the lining of the pelvic cavity. Women with endometriosis can experience chronic pain in the lower back and pelvis, very painful menstrual cramps, and infertility.



## Google launches new commerce platform, 'Helpouts'

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - Google on Tuesday launched a new online service called "Helpouts," aiming to connect businesses and consumers to solve problems or get advice on a range of issues.

The service is similar to Google's "Hangouts" with live video for paid services in areas ranging from computer tech support to weight loss.

"What if getting help for a computer glitch, a leaky pipe, or a homework problem was as easy as clicking a button?" Google's Udi Manber said in a blog post announcing the new service.

"What if you could get someone knowledgeable to get you 'unstuck' when you really need it?"

Manber said some of the services now are "how to fix your garage door, or how to remove a computer virus, or it might be guidance completing a project, like building a deck."

But he added that "today is just the beginning. We're starting small and in a few categories."

The categories being offered initially include art and music, computers, cooking, education and careers, fashion and beauty, fitness and nutrition, health and home and garden.

The Helpouts range from free to \$240 or more. Some examples include chemistry tutoring and homework, learning to play guitar, yoga instruction, French language lessons, fixing computer problems or refrigerator repair.

"With Helpouts, you can choose who you get help from based on their qualifications, their availability, their price, their ratings and reviews," Manber said.



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## US to spend billions 'modernizing' nuclear arsenal

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States plans to spend billions to upgrade a decades-old atomic bomb designed to stop a Soviet invasion of Europe, as part of a controversial project to modernize its nuclear arsenal.

Some lawmakers and experts dismiss the effort as a colossal waste of money that could derail arms control talks with Russia.

But top commanders and government officials argue the B61 nuclear gravity bomb needs to be maintained so other weapons can be scrapped and to ensure America retains a "credible" force.

"The B61 is the only weapon in the stockpile that



A B61 bomb is shown here, next to an F-16 fighter, inside a USAF Europe hardened aircraft shelter.

fulfills both tactical and strategic missions," General Robert Kehler, head of Strategic Command, told a congressional hearing last week.

Designed as a short-range "tactical" weapon to deter Soviet forces from overrunning Western Europe, the bomb has been in service for the US Air Force since the 1970s.

There are five versions of the bomb, which has an estimated yield of 0.3 to 360 kilotonnes, equivalent to 360,000 tonnes of TNT.

Washington removed thousands of tactical atomic weapons from Europe after the Cold War ended. But 180 of the B61 bombs remain in Europe, the only American nuclear weapon still deployed on the continent, at NATO bases

duce the overall amount of nuclear material in the arsenal, officials said.

Obama has called for more progress in scaling back US and Russian nuclear stockpiles and in a speech in Berlin in June, he promised to work with NATO allies "to seek bold reductions" in tactical nuclear weapons in Europe.

Some members of Congress are wary of the price tag, as the estimated cost for modernizing the B61 bomb keeps rising, from an initial \$4 billion to \$8.1 billion. And a Pentagon panel has projected the cost could reach \$10 to \$12 billion.

In an editorial, the New York Times denounced the effort as a "Faustian bargain" Obama made with Senate Republicans in 2010, promising modernization of the nuclear arsenal to secure approval of the New Start arms reduction agreement with Russia.

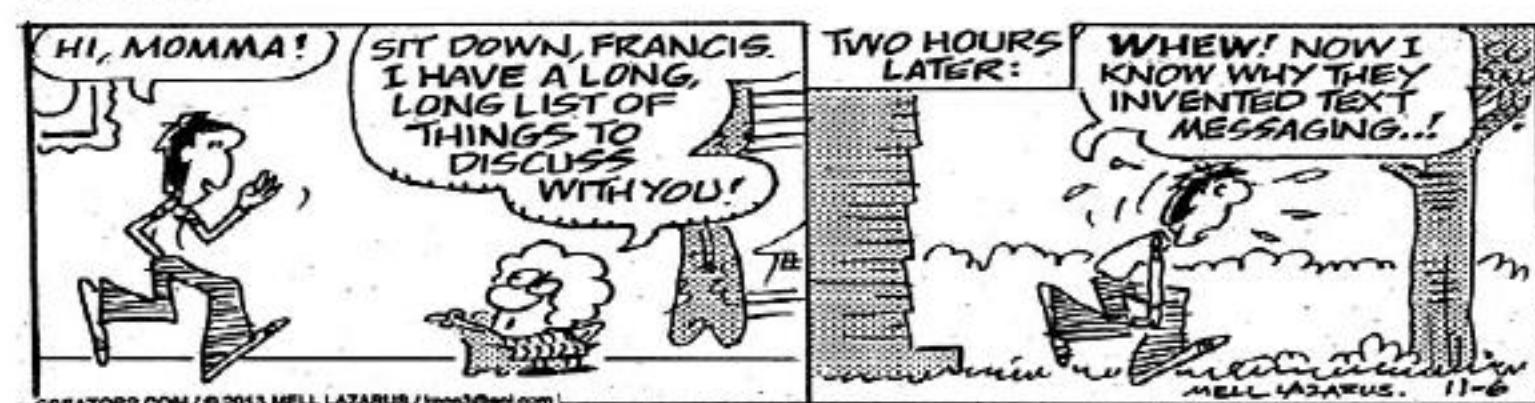


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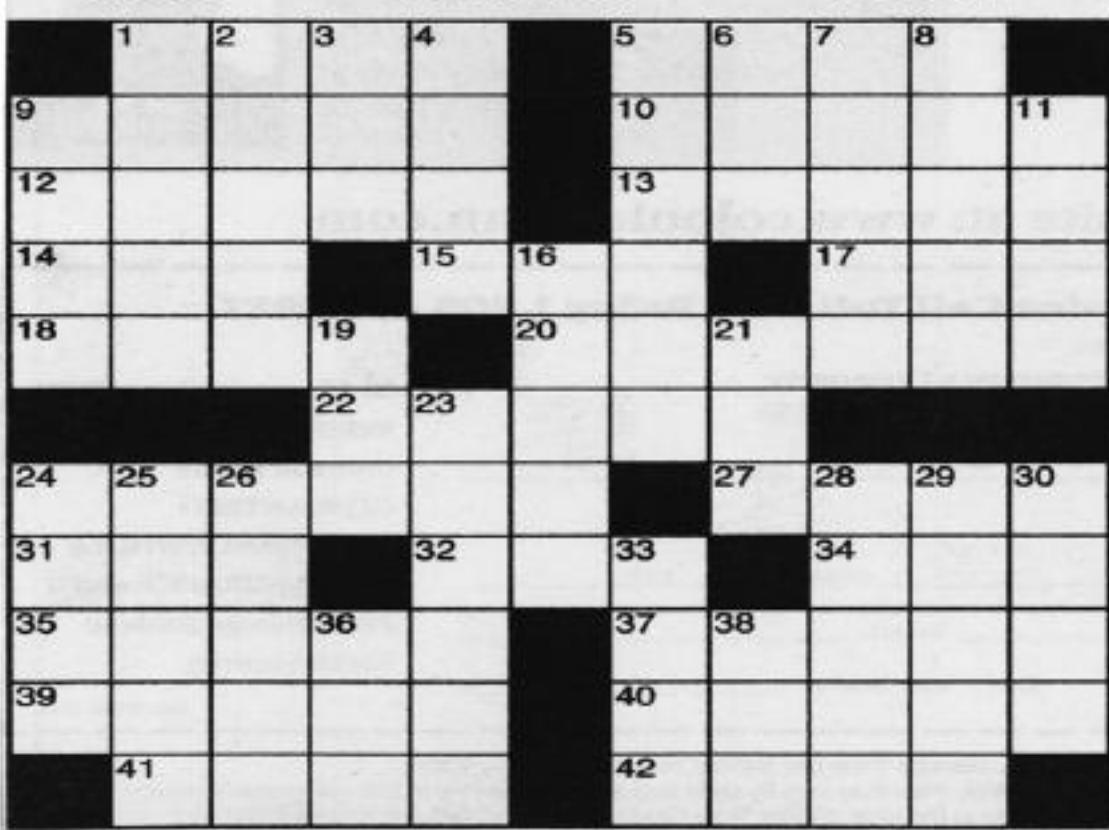


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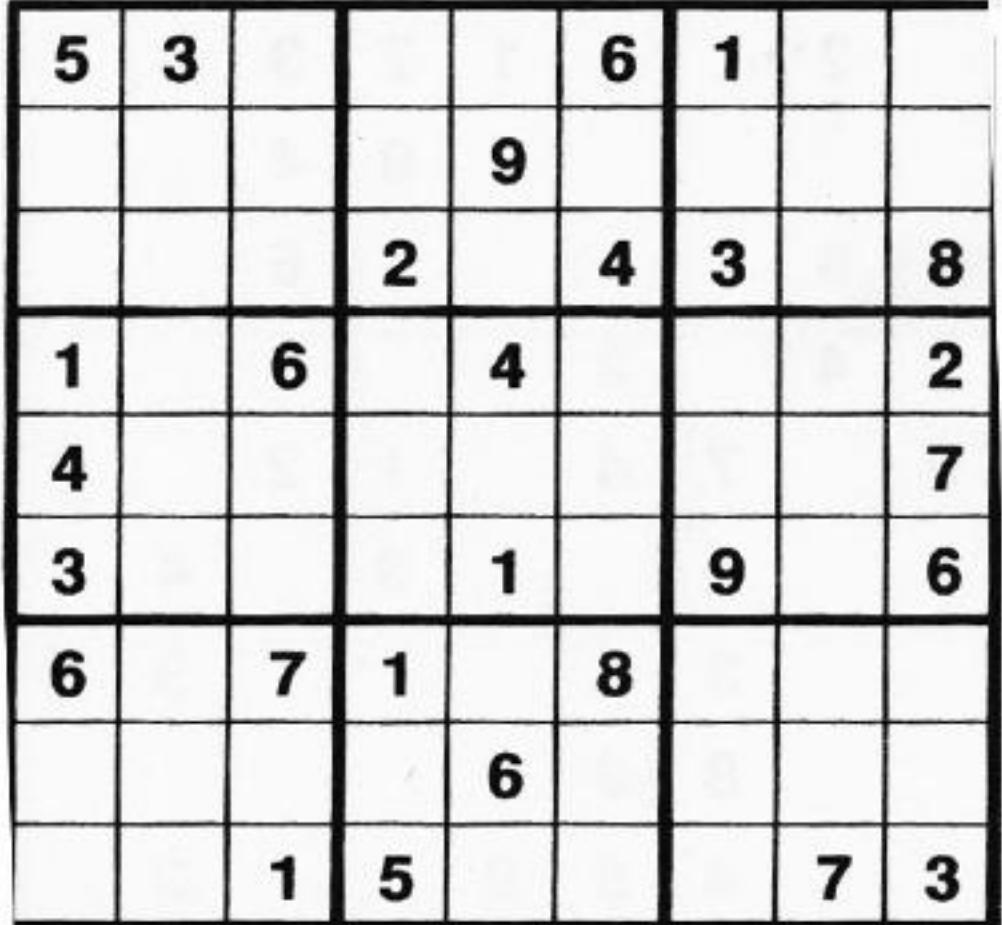
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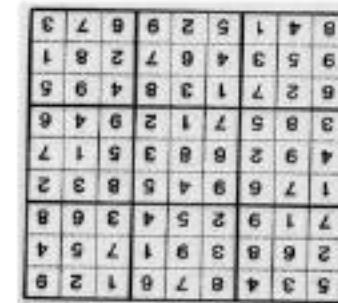
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Britain	GBP	<b>2.80</b>	<b>2.85</b>	<b>2.91</b>
Switzerland	CHF	<b>191.71</b>	<b>192.43</b>	<b>196.78</b>
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Sweden	SEK	<b>25.91</b>	<b>26.63</b>	<b>27.93</b>
Denmark	DKK	<b>30.23</b>	<b>30.95</b>	<b>32.79</b>
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## Dow rises to new record as Nasdaq retreats

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The Dow Jones Industrial Average Wednesday climbed to a new record, even as investors punished some tech names after Tesla earnings disappointed.

The Dow jumped 128.66 (0.82 percent) to 15,746.88, busting a previous record from October 29.

The broad-based S&P 500 also closed 7.52 (0.43 percent) higher at 1,770.49, narrowly missing another record, but the tech-rich Nasdaq Composite Index fell 7.92 (0.20 percent) to 3,931.95.

Electric-car company Tesla, which has risen more than four-fold in 2013, fell 14.5 percent after the company missed profit and revenue expectations.

But the poor Tesla report turned sentiment against a number of other companies like Facebook (-2.0 percent), Netflix (-1.7 percent) and Priceline (-2.2 percent) that have surged in recent months.

"Money is leaving the Nasdaq and it's going into cyclical, industrial stocks," said Michael James, managing director of equity trading at Wedbush Securities.

Not all Nasdaq components

fell. eBay rose 4.3 percent, while Google edged 0.1 percent higher.

The biggest winner in the Dow was Microsoft -- also a Nasdaq stock -- which jumped 4.2 percent following a report the company has narrowed its short-list of possible chief executives and is considering Ford chief Alan Mulally for the top spot.

Other big blue-chip gains came from General Electric (+1.8 percent), UnitedHealth Group (+2.3 percent) and oil companies Chevron (+2.3 percent) and ExxonMobil (+1.3 percent).

Clothing company Ralph Lauren rose 4.3 percent rose 5.5 percent after earnings bested analyst expectations by 3 cents at \$2.23 per share. The company also boosted its revenue forecast.

Oil and gas company Chesapeake Energy fell 6.8 percent on a weak production outlook. Deutsche Bank said the forecast implied a sequential decline in output of oil.

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Wells Fargo said Wednesday it had agreed to pay \$335 million to settle claims by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac that it overstated the quality of mortgage securities it sold them.

The US bank said the two state-controlled housing finance agencies had agreed to the sums having earlier pulled out of a class-action suit against it for overstating the quality of mortgage-backed securities it marketed in the run-up to the 2008-2009 financial crash.

The settlement involved the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the conservator for the two agencies, Wells Fargo said in a securities filing.

The government was forced to rescue the two agencies during the crisis, which was marked by an implosion in the housing market that delivered huge losses to holders of trillions of dollars worth of securities backed by what turned out to be low-quality subprime mortgages.



LAHORE: (AFP) - A Pakistani vendor separates peanuts at a market in Lahore on November 6, 2013. An International Monetary Fund (IMF) team is visiting Pakistan to monitor progress on reforms tied to a USD6.7 billion loan package, with analysts warning difficult months lie ahead.

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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## US unveils \$75 million for Palestinian building projects

BETHLEHEM (AFP) - US Secretary of State John Kerry on Wednesday unveiled \$75 million (56 million euros) in new aid to the Palestinians, aimed at building roads, schools and health clinics.

The money adds to \$25 million pledged by the United States in September, bringing the total US contribution for

the West Bank infrastructure projects to some \$100 million.

In addition Germany is to put up \$10 million towards about 200 projects being identified by the Palestinian Authority, which will cost a total of around \$50 million.

All the projects are due to start within the next six months.

"We have now committed \$100 million to support micro infrastructure initiatives in the West Bank and they will help bring real improvement in the Palestinian communities and lives," Kerry said at a ceremony in Bethlehem to announce the aid.

"Let me tell you what these investments will mean. They will mean more health clinics, better transportation, new community centres and schools."

One of the projects will be to improve three kilometres (two miles) of road in Bethlehem, where according to Christian tradition Jesus was born in a manger.

The aim of the project was to "enhance travel safety, reduce traveller times and promote economic development and tourism," Kerry said, adding that the projects would allow better movement of "tourists and pilgrims to this holy place."

## Mitsubishi Motors to raise \$2.1 billion in share sale

TOKYO (AFP) - Japan's Mitsubishi Motors said Wednesday it would raise about \$2.1 billion through a new share offering, as it tries to increase annual vehicle sales by 30 percent over three years.

The automaker said it would sell up to 210 billion yen (\$2.1 billion) of new shares and use the proceeds to buy back preferred shares from firms within the larger Mitsubishi Group, clearing the way to restart long-delayed dividend payments.

The preferred shares were issued about a decade ago as part of a bid to rescue the automaker as it faced a massive recall scandal.

Preferred shares rank ahead of common stock in any dividend payments, so cancelling them would make it easier to restart payments to ordinary shareholders, which have been on hold since the late nineties.

The profitable firm said the move was aimed at "moving forward to the next stage of growth, and moving away from its previous stage as a

Kerry, who doggedly coaxed the Israelis and Palestinians back to peace negotiations after a three-year hiatus, has frequently stressed the need to boost the Palestinian economy.

"We, the United States, remain deeply committed to a peaceful, prosperous future for both Israelis and Palestinians. And we need to develop the economies to show both peoples that peace has the benefits of economic opportunity and prosperity and a better quality of life," he said.

Shop owner Nabil Giacaman, a third generation wood carver and owner of the Christmas House in Manger Square, welcomed Kerry's visit.

It was "a good thing, to show the world that we are in a good state here, there are no problems, everything is peaceful," he told AFP.

Bemoaning the drop in tourists, he said the visit would let everyone "know there are no problems around Bethlehem, so they can be safe if they visit Bethlehem, the city of Jesus."

Kerry did his own shopping, visiting the nearby Nativity Store where he bought several carved olive wood camels, before heading into talks with Palestinian president Mahmud Abbas.

company undergoing revitalisation".

Mitsubishi, which announced Tuesday a global tie-up accord with Renault and Nissan, detailed the moves as it unveiled its mid-term business plan.

It said it was aiming to raise annual vehicles sales to 1.43 million units in the business year ending March 2017, about 30 percent higher than current levels.

The firm said it would increase the proportion of "strategic products" -- pickup trucks, SUVs and crossover models -- in its overall sales mix.

Mitsubishi added it was aiming to slash costs as it targets an operating profit of 135 billion yen in the year through March 2017, up from 100 billion yen forecast in the current business year.

The company's Tokyo-listed shares were up 0.63 percent to 1,114 yen.

-- Dow Jones Newswires contributed to this report --

## De Blasio, progressive Democrat who won New York

NEW YORK (AFP) - Bill de Blasio, who won a landslide victory as mayor of New York Tuesday, is a progressive Democrat who now faces a monumental task in governing the biggest US city.

By placing his black, former lesbian wife Chirlane and teenage children center stage, the 52-year-old public advocate connected to middle-class families and the city's diverse electorate.

His public sector career and progressive policies are the polar opposite of outgoing billionaire mayor Michael Bloomberg and sit at odds with the gigantic overt wealth on display in New York.

Making much of his "modest" home in Brooklyn's gentrified neighborhood of Park Slope, he presented himself as an ordinary guy determined to improve education and make housing affordable.

The real work had just begun, he said, warning supporters to be under no illusions about the difficulty of tackling inequality.

Born in New York in 1961, he was brought up in Massachusetts. He went to New York University and Columbia University, before joining city hall and giving his career to the public sector.

He has spoken about a difficult childhood as the son of an alcoholic, World War II vet of German background who walked out and later committed suicide after being diagnosed with cancer.

De Blasio is his mother's maiden name and in his acceptance speech he paid tribute to his Italian family, also speaking briefly in Spanish in a nod to his cross-roots support.

A towering figure physically at six foot five (1m95), he was a regional housing official under President Bill Clinton and a manager for Hillary Clinton's New York Senate race in 2000.

He sat on the city council for eight years and in 2010 was sworn in as public advocate, essentially ombudsman.

It is a background and style the polar opposite of outgoing Bloomberg, who liked to fly off to Bermuda by private jet for the weekends and who steps down after 12 years.

De Blasio has campaigned hard against the yawning gulf between rich and poor -- "a tale of two cities" and for minority rights.

He promises to raise taxes on those earning more than \$500,000 to fund universal pre-kindergarten education



and after school programs.

He has criticized the wildly unpopular "stop and frisk" policy for unfairly targeting black and Hispanic minorities, which supporters say has driven down crime.

And he promises to build 200,000 new affordable housing units and grant extra school holidays for Muslim feasts.

A year ago, few had heard of de Blasio. But he ran a flawless campaign that eventually won him the Democratic nomination under tough competition.

He has traded heavily on his family.

Like the Clintons, he and his wife, Chirlane McCray, have run as a package. Poet, editor, feminist and activist, she is a constant fixture by his side.

Their 16-year-old son Dante, instantly recognizable by his halo of Afro hair, has been credited with helping to turn around the campaign with an emotive TV ad about how great his dad is.

After winning the Democrat primary, the entire family, together with 18-year-old daughter Chiara, were filmed doing

a family "smackdown" dance in Brooklyn.

His daughter has reached out to voters, reassuring them that her dad is not "some boring white guy."

The multiracial family struck a chord in a city of great ethnic diversity: 33.3 percent white, 25.5 percent black, 28.6 percent Hispanic and 12.7 percent Asian.

Analysts say de Blasio also oiled his victory by playing successfully to the Democrat city's fear of the Republican party, nationally in disarray, and its Tea Party movement.

Yet some are concerned that his ideals will be sacrificed to pragmatism, calling him a deft politician capable of bargaining.

He has been criticized, for example, for flip-flopping over whether horse-drawn buggy rides through Central Park should be abolished to win support from campaigners.

There are also questions about whether he has the experience to lead a city hall staff of 300,000 and a budget of \$72 billion. How successful he will be, New Yorkers are about to find out.

## 2013 Victoria's Secret Fashion



NEW YORK (AFP) - Model Candice Swanepoel poses next to Victoria's Secret "Royal Fantasy Bra Gift Set", which is valued at 10 million USD, in New York, on November 6, 2013. The Royal Fantasy Bra Gift Set includes a custom Dream Angels Demi silhouette bra and matching belt adorned with over 4,200 precious gems handset with rubies, diamonds, blue and yellow sapphires all set in 18 karat gold. The bra features a pear shaped center ruby weighing 52 carats. Swanepoel will be wearing the bra on the runway at the 2013 Victoria's Secret Fashion show on November 13, 2013.

## Tom Cruise denies abandoning daughter

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Hollywood megastar Tom Cruise has denied having "abandoned" his daughter Suri following his divorce from Katie Holmes last year, while acknowledging that he has seen less of the seven-year-old.

In a statement filed in court this week, the US actor said he had a "wonderful relationship" with his daughter, who he said "has never indicated ... that she has ever felt abandoned by me."

Cruise launched legal action last year against Bauer, the publishers of US magazines *Life* and *Style* and *InTouch* for \$50 million over covers claim-



ing he had abandoned his daughter.

A July 2012 edition of *Life* and *Style* splashed the headline "Suri in tears, abandoned by her dad," over a picture of the sobbing girl. Holmes and Cruise had announced their split the month before after six years of marriage, and Suri was living with her mother.

In a two-page statement filed ahead of a new court hearing later this month and published by entertainment news website Radar Online, Cruise said: "the assertion that I 'abandoned' Suri after my divorce is patently false.

Cruise, a prominent member of the Church of Scientology, said he was out of the country from June until December last year shooting two back-to-back movies, while Suri lived with her mother in New York.

"As a result of the changed circumstances following the divorce, we were not able to see each other as often as we did prior to the divorce."

## 'Call of Duty' videogame sales top \$1 bn in first day

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Sales of the latest edition in the "Call of Duty" video game franchise topped \$1 billion in the first day, the publisher said Wednesday. "Call of Duty: Ghosts," which went on sale around the world on Tuesday, "has delivered yet another epic thrill ride in the campaign, and what I think is our best multiplayer game yet," said Eric Hirshberg, chief executive of Activision Publishing. The \$1 billion figure represented sales to retail store, which may not reflect consumer purchases, according to Activision. But the company maintained the debut ensures that "Call of Duty" is "the largest console franchise of this generation." The debut appeared to eclipse "Grand Theft Auto V," which raked in more than a billion dollars in its first three days on the streets in September, according to Take-Two unit Rockstar games. The latest "Call of Duty" sequel is set in a desolate United States devastated by a satellite-guided "kinetic" weapon strike on San Diego.



## Bon Bini or Welcome to Paradise!

--The Mill is the best kept secret of the Palm Beach area. Conveniently located just steps across the famous sandy white beaches of Aruba. This cozy compact low rise resort offers casual elegance and spacious comfort amidst lush tropical gardens at this 185-room resort. Its spacious, comfortable, fully equipped rooms with easy access to the facilities and beautiful free form swimming pools. And staff is sure to keep you coming back.

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The Mill Resort & Suites is changing the PMS system from Fidelio to IQWARE Inc.

The resort is in the process of the installation and configuration and by next week it will start with the training for all employees in the operation department.

The goal is to go live with the new system on September 5th, 2013. With this new system management will have better control of the inventories and will have more accu-

rate information and to facilitate the Front desk with a faster check in and checkout procedure. It's a innovation with a lot of new technologies and upgrades opportunities to ensure guests satisfaction and management control.

•SALES AND MARKETING:

A new WEBPAGE for The Mill Resort & Suites is being designed. This will include new

pictures and updated information and possibility to book online directly to the reservation system. Will share more features as soon this is done.

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The resort is in the process to build two 2 new Bathroom facility next to the Towel Hut service by the Pool area for Guests convenience. The goal is to have this project done by September 30th, 2013

• HOUSEKEEPING:

FREE Coffee in all rooms upon arrival, any refills will be at a fee of \$2.00 this includes coffee, sugar and cream. Juana is the person in charge of any refills.

• HUMAN RESOURCES:

The employees have attended some trainings to improve their skills and ensure more quality service to our Guests. They finished the Aruba certified program and Bartender course and will be attending the Food and Beverage service training very soon.

## Miss Universe 2013 Contestants



RUSSIA - The Miss Universe 2013 evening gown round saw a plethora of fine creations as contestants presented themselves in curvaceous gowns during the Preliminary Competition. 86 candidates from around the world flaunted their ensembles during the contest held at Moscow's Crocus City Hall on 5 November. Evening gown round is as important contest of a beauty pageant as the coronation itself. The finale of the 62nd edition of Miss Universe pageant will take place on 9 November when a contestant will be crowned the Miss Universe 2013 by the reigning beauty queen, Olivia Culpo of USA. The contestants will be judged in three categories: swim-suit, evening gown and personal interview.

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Budget has a fleet of 250 autos on Aruba, ranging from subcompact to authentic Jeep Wrangler® hardtop 4X4 or the stylish Toyota Rav 4, for exploring Aruba's outback in air-conditioned comfort. Their standard Toyota Yaris, the most popular model, is known for quality and dependability. Each year, they refresh 25% of their fleet and retire the older cars. Compared to the U.S., car

rentals are quite affordable on Aruba, with the third party liability insurance included in the rental rates, as required by law.

Budget's head office is in Camacuri, not far from the airport, but they maintain an outlet right at the airport and another conveniently located in the Arawak Gardens in Palm Beach, an easy stroll

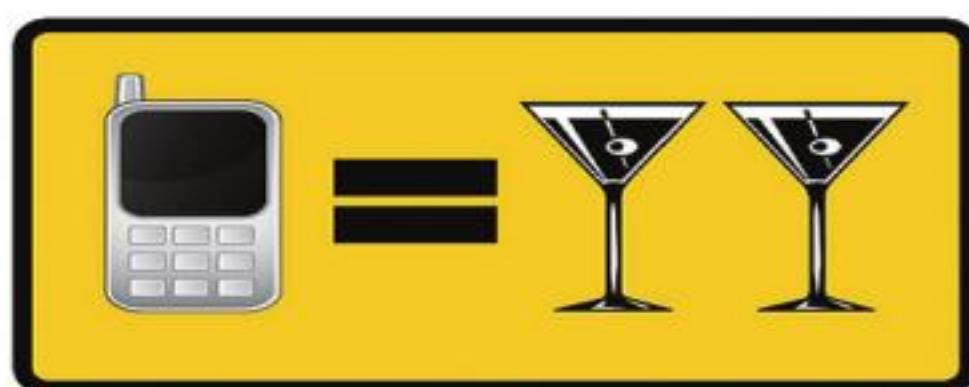
from all the Palm Beach resorts. Budget will provide free transportation to their Arawak Gardens outlet from any hotel, and return you to your door when turning in your car.

A Toyota Yaris rents for \$174 for the week; there is an additional airport concession fee to have a car available immediately on arrival, but this is balanced out by the cost of roundtrip fares to most resorts, and on weekly rentals is a decided savings.

Budget has become the world's third largest car rental franchise because of their commitment to quality service and product at the best price possible, and the staff of Budget Car Rental Aruba is equally dedicated to seeing their customers smile.



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## Karate athletes off to Curacao for 2013 Karate Open



ORANJESTAD - Last Friday a delegation of the Karate sport travelled to Curacao to compete in the 2013 Curacao Karate Open.

The Aruban athletes are: Isaac Brete (Brown Belt 2nd Kyu I.S.K.D.S.), Robert Silva (Brown Belt 2nd Kyu I.S.K.D.S.), Shana Sorna (Green Belt I.S.K.D.S.) and

Brian Malca (Orange Belt I.S.K.D.S.) these are champions, sub-champions and 3rd place in championship which recently took place on Aruba.

Travelling together with these athletes was also Shidoin, Gustavo R. Velasquez (hodan I.S.K.D.S.), CCKF & PKF, B level Certificate Ref-

eree).

The athlete will participate in the disciplines of kata and kumite. There will also be other young athletes from Aruba who will compete in the 2013 Curacao Karate Open.

The Lotto pa deporte Foundation wishes these youngster well and much success in this Curacao Karate Open.

## Tennis: Nadal downs Wawrinka to seal number one ranking



LONDON (AFP) - Rafael Nadal guaranteed he will finish 2013 on top of the world rankings with a 7-6 (7/5), 7-6 (8/6) victory over Stanislas Wawrinka at the ATP World Tour Finals on Wednesday. The Spaniard achieved that aim in typically dominant fashion, beating Swiss seventh seed Wawrinka 24 hours after opening the tournament with a straight sets win over David Ferrer. It is the third time Nadal has finished a calendar year in pole position in the rankings -- and the first since 2010 -- and he celebrated with a jubilant jig around the court. He is the first player to end a year at number one three years after his last season-ending top spot. The 27-year-old's straight sets victory over Wawrinka also booked his place in the semi-finals of the Tour Finals, with one group match against Tomas Berdych still to come. Since his return from injury, Nadal has won the French and US Open titles, as well as eight other tournaments, and a maiden triumph at the Tour Finals would be a fitting end to such a memorable campaign.

## Fantastic Body board presentation of "2013 Encanto Pro" in Puerto Rico

ORANJESTAD - The delegation of Aruba Bodyboard just recently competed in the "2013 Encanto Pro" at Playa Jobos, Puerto Rico. Aruba had four competitors in the Open Division, two in the Dropknee Division and one in the Women's Division.

The situation of the ocean waves were not very favorable as was expected. This was the case almost every day. Nonetheless our Bodyboard athletes Roduard Ferrier, Romar Arendsz, Ebrinor Curet, Joshua Kelly, Devin Eman and Jeremy Loefstok were satisfied with their presentation in Puerto Rico where they competed against world champions.

Roduard was the first athlete to compete, the situation of the waves were very small and difficult, he failed to get his second good wave and was eliminated. Romar followed and had much luck to score in his second wave to classify for the next round. Ebrinor Curet followed in the Women's Division. Ebrinor was not selected for the next round as she too failed to get her second good wave.

In the Open Men's Division, Devin made a solid heat and classified for the second round. He was followed by Marco who struggled but was classified and achieved the points



Roduard



for the competition in Costa Rica. The last two Aruban competitors in the Men's Open Division were Joshua and Jeremy.

Joshua was the first to enter the water, despite his young age he was decisive and got his second good wave to score and

classify. Jeremy closed the competition for Aruba. He began somewhat slow, but recovered well. Jeremy ended up in third place and finally got a great wave and scored a 3 "rollos" in one wave to finally classify for the second round eliminating the Bodyboarder



of Canary. In the Dropknee, Romar Arends did tremendously, yet unfortunately did not get that favorable wave.

Aruba Bodyboarding Association is very pleased with the opportunity to have sent a delegation of Bodyboarders to

participate in the "I.B.A. International Bodyboarding Association".

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## Football: Bayern and City Into Champions League Last 16

PARIS (AFP) - Holders Bayern Munich and English side Manchester City became the first teams to qualify for the knockout stages of the Champions League on Tuesday.

Bayern made heavy weather of beating Viktoria Pilsen 1-0 while City reached the knockout stages for the first time, after flopping in the group stage the last two seasons, with a 5-2 thumping of CSKA Moscow in Manchester.

Real Madrid came close to joining them but having gone 2-1 up in Turin against Juventus they were pegged back to 2-2 with a goal by former Athletic Bilbao striker Fernando Llorente the Italian club's saviour.

Cristiano Ronaldo's opener for Real, Gareth Bale got their other, took him level for the all time total of goals scored in the group phase with eight.

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French champions Paris Saint Germain also missed out on claiming their place on Tuesday as they were held to a surprising 1-1 draw at home to previously pointless and goalless Belgian outfit Anderlecht, who the French side had thumped 5-0 in their match a fortnight ago in Brussels.

In the end with the restive PSG fans booing their side, who nonetheless extended their unbeaten start to the season in all competitions, it was Swedish star Zlatan Ibrahimovic who grabbed them a point for the hosts after they briefly trailed.

City got the better of CSKA with a Sergio Aguero double and a hat-trick from Alvaro Negredo.

While City won with some-

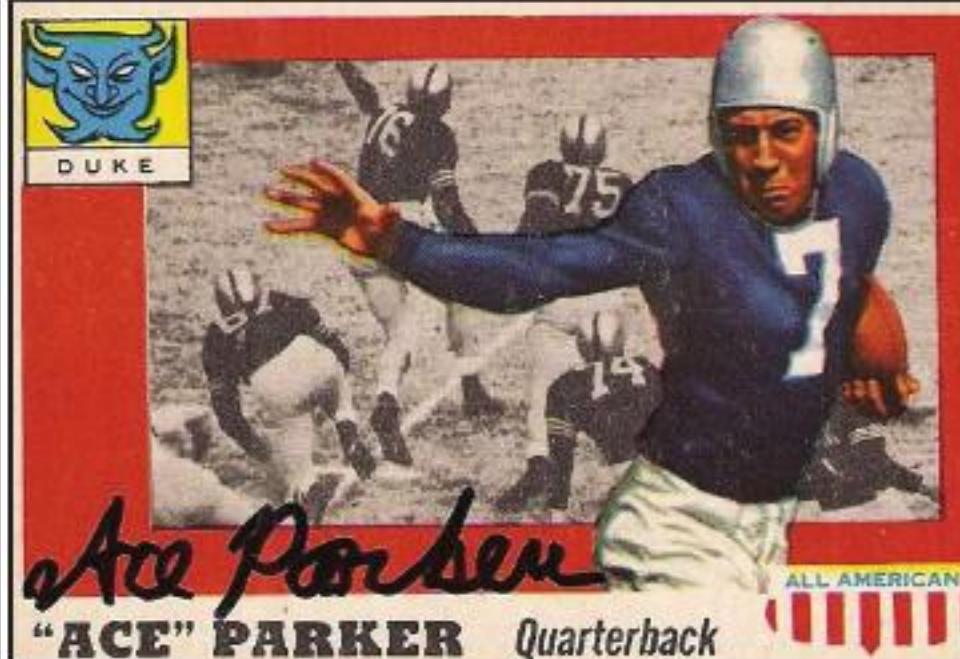
thing to spare -- though their defence looked shaky at times and could be exposed against tougher opposition -- their city rivals Manchester United laboured to a 0-0 draw at Real Sociedad, who gained their first point of the campaign.

Robin van Persie summed up United's frustrating evening hammering his second-half penalty against the post, though, Ashley Young looked to have dived to win it in the first place.

To cap it all United's Belgian international midfielder Marouane Fellaini was sent off in the closing stages.

They still lead their group by a point but both Bayer Leverkusen and Shakhtar Donetsk, who drew 0-0 in Ukraine, are lurking.

## NFL: Oldest Hall of Famer Parker dead at 101



CANTON (AFP) - Clarence "Ace" Parker, the only member of the American Pro Football Hall of Fame to live to be a hundred, died Wednesday at the age of 101. Parker, a quarterback, turned down a chance to play for baseball's Philadelphia Athletics and starred for the Brooklyn Dodgers gridiron squad from 1937 to 1941. Parker was the National Football League's Most Valuable Player in 1940, when he threw 10 touchdown passes, ran for 206 yards and two touchdowns and caught two touchdown passes as well as averaging 38 yards per punt. After three years of World War II military service, Parker returned to the NFL in 1945 with the Boston Yanks. Parker was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1972.

## Baseball: Union probes Cano gift from agent Jay Z: report

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Major League Baseball's players union is investigating whether a \$33,900 watch given to New York Yankees star Robinson Cano by his agent, entertainer Jay Z, was a violation of representative regulations, ESPN reported Tuesday.

Cano received a limited edition watch from Hublot at an October 22 party in Belgium to celebrate the Yankees second baseman's 31st birthday, the US-based sports network reported, citing unnamed sources.

Jay Z, helped design the watch that bears his real name, Shawn Carter, and had performed in Antwerp the night before. The watches are set for a public unveiling later this month in New York.

Cano left agent Scott Boras last April to sign with Carter's

Roc Nation sports group, which also has deals with NBA star Kevin Durant of Oklahoma City and NFL players Geno Smith and Victor Cruz.

But Cano, among this year's top available free agents, is also represented by Creative Artists Agency and it is that group which will handle negotiations with the Yankees on a new deal. He reportedly seeks \$310 million over 10 years from the Yankees.

Major League Baseball Players Association regulations prohibit gifts or payments meant to encourage continued use of a person's services and while there is an exception for clients of agents, all gifts above \$500 must be disclosed to the union in writing to avoid improper inducements. If in violation, Jay Z could face unspecified disciplinary action from the union.

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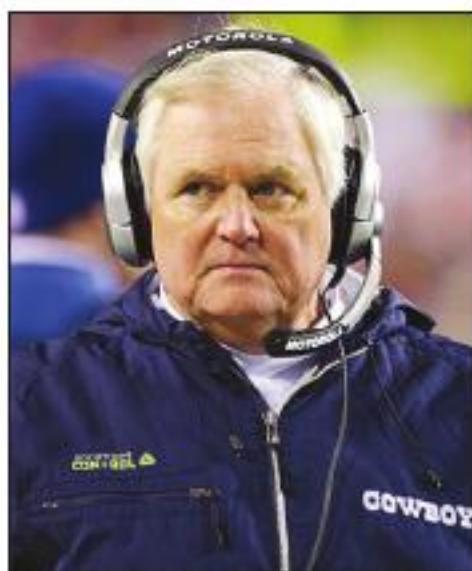
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## NFL: Phillips named Texans interim coach



HOUSTON (AFP) - Wade Phillips, the defensive coordinator who took charge of the Houston Texans after coach Gary Kubiak suffered a small stroke at half-time of an NFL game, was named Wednesday as the team's interim coach.

Phillips will guide the Texans indefinitely while Kubiak recovers from the stroke. No timetable for Kubiak's return to coaching duties has been established.

Kubiak collapsed while leaving the field Sunday against Indianapolis and was taken away on a stretcher. He was released from hospital on Tuesday with what doctors diagnosed as a mini-stroke.

Without Kubiak, the Texans squandered a 21-3 half-time lead and lost to the Colts 27-24.

Phillips, 66, will see his first full game as Houston's coach when the Texans visit Arizona.

He has previously served as a coach with Dallas, Buffalo and Denver and has twice before served as an interim coach, helping out in that role at Atlanta in 2003 and in 1985 at New Orleans.

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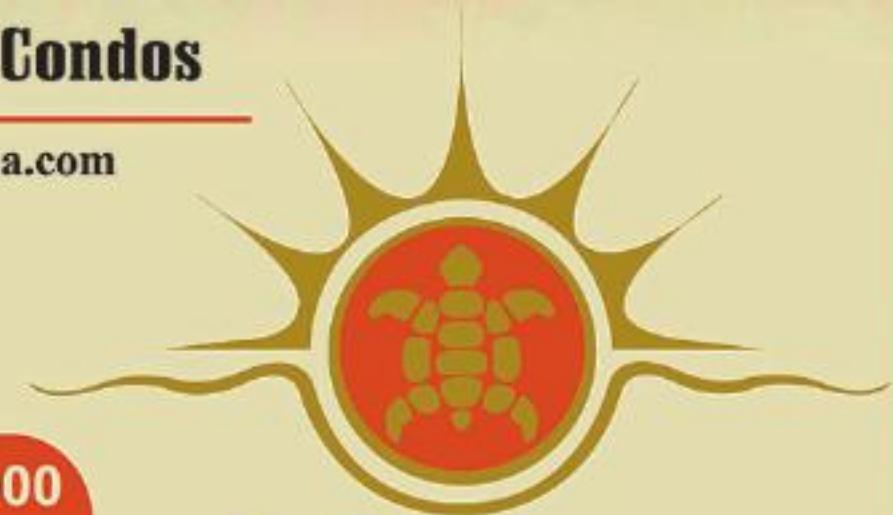
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## Racing: McCoy closes in on 4,000th winner

LONDON (AFP) - Northern Irish jump jockey Tony McCoy crept closer to his 4,000th winner on Wednesday after riding Minella For Steak to his 3,999th career victory at Chepstow in south Wales.

The 18-time champion jockey of the United Kingdom picked up the ride at late notice after Minella For Steak's stablemate Mission Complete was declared a non-runner due to the soft ground.

McCoy, 39, could now reach the unprecedented milestone of 4,000 race victories at Towcester in central England on

Thursday, when he has two rides scheduled.

"It would be great if one of them won," said McCoy, who will ride the JP McManus-owned pair Church Field and Mountain Tunes. "For my riding career, the sooner the better that one of them wins so I can get on with trying to have a few winners."

No rider has come close to winning 4,000 races in the history of British National Hunt racing. McCoy's nearest rival in the all-time list, Richard Johnson, has ridden 2,551 winners.

